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THE STUDY OF PHILOSOPHY.

PRESIDENT H. U. ROOP.



ENTHUSIASTIC minds, like that of Plato and Cousin, and severely scientific intellects, like those of Aristotle and Kant, agree in their passionate study of Philosophy, and praise it in terms little less than extravagant. We know the poetic interest it awakened in the spirit of Plato, so much so that his name has become a synonym for all that is supposed to be dreamy in speculation. Cousin launched into the subject with an inspiration that conferred the rhetorical power of fiction upon his writings and lectures. Aristotle, merciless and cold as he was in his logic, still exhibited the same passionate ardor as his master when he entered the field of philosophy. Kant, like Aristotle in the severity of his thought and method, nevertheless warms into enthusiasm when he fears that philosophy has lost her position as the queen of the sciences.

But the interest in philosophic thought is not confined to a few such men. It is perhaps the common characteristic of the race; and many, reckless of talents and results, exhaust their energies upon its problems, to return without adding to their knowledge. It is a study connected with some courage and much trust in man's mental capacity to solve the riddle of the sphinx; and in this, perhaps, man overestimates endowments serving more to teach humility than to encourage pride. But the natural impulse is strong to listen to admonitions that are directed against hope and curiosity; and hence

in all ages men have shown an absorbing passion for certain kinds of speculation, and have launched into that wild and stormy ocean without sail or compass in search of undiscovered countries. In some unfortunate cases it proves "a bourne whence no traveler returns." Skeptical and agnostic speculations, after all that can be admitted in their favor, turn the voyager adrift upon waters without a shore; and perhaps in all cases philosophic inquiry may tempt curiosity beyond its powers of discovery and analysis. Many spirits have risen from time to time in order to caution the audacity that ventured to plunge headlong into that unknown sea, but their voice unheeded amid the infatuation of pursuit and of fatal attractions as alluring as the song of the Sirens, was borne away on the winds and its memory forgotten, until in the last hours of despairing knowledge it appeared again as a still small voice from the distant past to act as the Nemesis of neglected warning. Thus philosophy has its advocates and its opponents. There is truth on both sides of the question. But, perhaps, more than all others, its study presents difficulties in the determination of what is true and false in the admiration or depreciation bestowed upon it. Minds to which the study is an instinct or a second nature do not easily bear the contempt of the uninitiated; and those whose lives are not directly determined by it, have little patience with that unintelligible jargon which, it must be confessed, often "darkens counsel by words without knowledge." In the present age generally, however, it seems impossible to venture anything but praise for its study. It is the enthusiasm of the age, occasioned by its achievement of revolution in many cherished beliefs; and human attention is turned to the solution of problems proposed by it. Besides, philosophic curiosity is too natural a disposition of man to be rejected without a hearing, however audacious it may have been in attempting the impossible. It is the poetry of some minds, and because of that power and its acknowledged influence, it must receive the respectful consideration of candid thought in spite of its vagaries. We are born to philosophy, and

Aristotle remarks to those who would depreciate it, that "if we must philosophize, we must philosophize; few must not * * * * *;" that whether advocating or opposing it, we are compelled to adopt the principles and processes of philosophy in order to vindicate our attitude toward it. And further, the love of unity, the sublime attractions of fundamental principles, and all those important questions, to whose care are entrusted all the interests of mankind, have awakened in all profound minds an enthusiasm, in peculiarity and energy equal to the most rapturous devotion to poetry. We shall not expect it, therefore, supported as it is by strong instincts, to lose either its attractions or its importance by the disparagement it receives from practical opposition. Whatever may be said of its faults, its events are too evident to justify neglect of it. Its rise marks the beginning of civilization, and the application of its principles in experience is a very important factor in producing the changes and improvements that keep society from degeneration. But it is rather the nature of philosophy, its comprehensive expression of the most important questions that stimulate human curiosity and hope, that determines its value. Kant, uninviting as his style and thought usually are, betrays the consciousness of some power of feeling when his speculations verge upon the questions of God, Duty, Immortality. And it is such questions as these that confer value upon philosophic thought, not so much because it may be qualified to prove them, as it rather stimulates human interest and enlarges knowledge by analyzing and developing the resources already at command. Besides, the discipline of mental power achieved by it, and the extensive prospect within the range of its vision lend it both enchantment and worth. Nevertheless the audacity with which it has pushed its claims, and the qualification of unrarely insoluble mysteries reflect some discredit upon its capacities. What, therefore, shall we say of it? What attitude must the present sustain toward it? In answer to these questions, we must make a distinction between philosophy as a means, and as an end. As a

means, the value of philosophic study cannot be overestimated. As an end, its study may be exposed to objection.

As a means, philosophy performs at least two services for man. First, in mental discipline, and second, in providing a quantum of actual knowledge. Mental discipline is the object of all academic study; at least that is all that is usually accomplished by it; and inasmuch as it brings into exercise man's mental nature, the merits of a study will be proportioned to its power to provide that discipline. But the merits of philosophy as a means of education are not exhausted in regarding it as disciplinary in the ordinary pedagogic sense. For as a process of intellectual development, its power extends beyond the limits of academic life, and, like the nameless and indefinable value of polite literature, exercises an influence for knowledge and pleasure, long after the mastery of its method in Academic institutions. Knowing that philosophic speculation has originated, stimulated, and developed all that is great in man, and has enabled him to sustain the dignity of his position in creation by the emphasis which it lays upon his nature, and by the interest it supports in the solution of practical problems, it has very naturally represented itself as the *summum genus* of the sciences. This it has a right to do so far as it means only to subordinate its services to the whole development of man. As soon as it arrogates to itself the whole of human nature and activity, it is in danger of becoming an end only. But while it can be what Lotze calls the framework or scaffolding of a structure directed and built by means of it, its place of honor will not be disputed. But it must not be the structure itself. In that case it could not be a means. Philosophy is properly a method or process, not a thing; and because it is a method and not a thing for itself, it offers the prospect of endless application and development. The more inexhaustible its resources the more valuable will be its discipline. It is not necessary that the goal of its inquiries always be in sight. Being only a means, it derives its interest and importance merely from the

exercise of powers independent of it for their existence, and which do not always demand a fixed and certain goal as the consummation of their activity. Man's existence is a discipline, a development, in which the pursuit is of more value than possession. Accordingly, the sciences always studied with keenest interest are those in a state of progress and uncertainty; absolute certainty and absolute completion would be the paralysis of any study; and the last calamity that can befall man, as he is at present constituted, would be that full and final possession of speculative truth, which he now vainly anticipates as the consummation of his intellectual happiness. As a method, therefore, for organizing and systematizing experience; for stimulating the highest mental activity and for the support of those characteristics by which Plato was induced to call it the mother of all the arts, philosophy will ever claim and deserve the praise which the most enthusiastic have bestowed upon it. But when it assumes to be only an end unto itself, and seeks to concentrate human thought only upon the production of theories, it becomes justly contemptible. Man does not exist for the sake of philosophy, but philosophy for the sake of man. It is the characteristic fault of the age that the most of its financial and intellectual resources are expended mostly upon inquiries that are little better than the speculations of Neo-Platonism. The strongest intellectual energies of to-day are toiling problems, which, if solved, would still leave the work of philosophy undone; and for that reason, there is a great danger of making philosophy a golden calf to which all that is valuable in mental progress is sacrificed for the sake of an idolatry that may relieve human nature of unpleasant tasks, its more important duty. In other words, speculative tendencies are producing an aristocracy of intellect, too much satisfied with that contemplative spirit that was both the merit and the weakness of Plato, and which, by the most fatal allurements, draws man on to forbidden regions, to leave him in them with an insatiable curiosity, and without the power to convert his experience into

reality. There is danger that man may eat again of the tree of knowledge. Both man's powers and rights are limited in this respect. His powers—because philosophy never has reached the goal at which it aimed, and never will reach it; his rights—because the impenetrable mysteries which tempt his audacity, have no use for his activity. Therefore, it is that the purely philosophic spirit, shut in from the world to feed upon its own mind and thoughts forgets that "knowledge is of value only as it affords the preliminary or condition of its exercise." As an end, as the chief end of man, it must be depreciated. Man's chief end is not speculation; and fatal will be the consequences to any man who allows it to gain the control of him, instead of making himself the master of it. Its value its relative, not absolute. In this respect, it becomes subordinate to life and its purpose.



THE PRACTICAL IDEALIST.

HUMANITY may be roughly divided into two classes, the practical, and the ideal, that is, ideal in that they live far above the average man, in a world of their own imagination and fancy. Necessarily, of course, these two classes are not separated by any sharp line of distinction, as in almost every person these characteristics exist in a different proportion; but the person who is characterized by a harmonious blending of the practical and the ideal is the exception rather than the rule.

This exception then, or the practical idealist, is the person who has high ideals and yet is not so hampered and secluded by them that he neglects his duties to his fellow-beings. He will possess a fair grade of intelligence, a high standard of morality, love for humanity, personal courage and resolution, and will not merely criticise the actions of others, but will put his own shoulder to the wheel and help in bringing about a condition of affairs as near as possible to his ideals.

The extreme idealist is almost invariably found among the educated and moral class of people. But he lacks some of the qualities mentioned above, which may often be found in a more practical person. One is reminded by him of the Monks in the early Catholic church. These men retired into monasteries and there devoted themselves almost completely to learning and piety. But living as they did secluded from everyone they exerted almost no influence whatever in comparison with what they would have, had they used their knowledge in uplifting and raising humanity from the depths of ignorance and superstition, into which it had fallen.

The man with high ideals must not be afraid of soiling them by contact with persons of lower ideals, or he will never do much good to anyone. If he associates only with those men of his own type and with them discusses his ideals without giving humanity the benefit of them they are almost useless. Helpful as criticism may be, the man who merely criticises and does nothing more, by no means accomplishes his mission on earth. A person's ideals need never be lowered but everyone must enter into the field in which he believes he can do the most good, with such vigor and strength of purpose as will rouse those with whom he associates, to higher aims and nobler purposes in life.

Although there are many persons who are idealistic to an extreme, yet there are many more of whom the reverse is true. They either have very low ideals or perhaps none at all; they live on as the beasts of the field or the birds of the air, and are even not of as much use and comfort to mankind as these inhuman beings. Life to them is hardly more than a mechanical process, a monotonous round, in which there is no higher aim than the eking out of a subsistence, and a desire for occasional revelry and a few so-called pleasures to drive away the sorrow and care attendant upon such a manner of living. A Utopia, as conceived by More, a place of perfect freedom and equality, is indeed not practical, yet it were well if everyone had perhaps even as high an ideal as that. In such a case, even if the desired

results were not reached, a far better condition of affairs would be brought about, and each individual would be so much the stronger from his efforts.

The extremists of the two classes of people spoken of by no means include everyone. There are very many persons, especially in our own country, in whom the practical and the ideal are very agreeably combined, otherwise the conditions in our religious, political and social life would not be nearly so favorable as they are. But only when the man with high ideals and conceptions is willing to put them to practical use and give mankind the benefit of them; and only when the lowest order of human beings aspires to higher things, that is, when the practical idealist is the common, every day man will the nearest possible approach to perfection be reached.

W. E. REIDEL, '04.



AN EVENING WELL SPENT.

FOUNDED ON FACT.



THE Eureka Literary Society of Nova at the time of its organization, was a miserable affair, but its members had for it so much love and reverence, and were possessed of so great zeal and determination that they soon won for the Society a place of power in that community.

Visitors at first were rare, but the excellence of their programs gradually attracted many strangers to the meetings. The writer of this article had the good fortune of attending one of them, and has given below a short account of the most interesting features of the evening.

The meeting was called to order by the President, and the minutes of the preceding week were read by the Secretary in the usual uninteresting manner of all societies. Before taking up the program, unfinished business was finished, and reports of committees were called for—this request brought fourth the following. The Chairman of the Committee of Resolutions begged leave to submit their report—"When, in the course of

human events it becomes necessary to lessen the number of our membership, as God in his all-wise Providence has seen fitting to do by the hands of Death, it becomes our plain and painful duty to memorize the occasion by our touching testimony,—

WHEREAS, the deceased and lamented Isaac Jacobs was a splendid debater of this the Eureka Literary Society, and

WHEREAS, he was one of the organizers of the same, be it therefore

Resolved,—That he for whom we entertained so high a regard and so great an esteem, be honored by this Society, by having his picture put on the wall with a green laurel wreath above it and a black ribbon bow beneath it, and be it

Resolved,—That some one tell his family of our intention so to do (they may perhaps give us a picture for nothing), and be it

Resolved,—That if they give us the picture, we present them with a copy of the resolutions printed on white gild-edged paper with a black border around it. Signed, sealed, and delivered by the members of the committee,—

Jonas Enos, Chairman,
Ezekiel Flower,
Ursula True.

Pres.—You have heard the report of the committee. Are there any remarks?"

A pompous member—"Mr. President, Ladies and gentlemen. I object to one part of the report where it reads—'he for whom we entertained etc.'" In writing such resolutions, we as a society, are supposed to be overcome with grief and to be influenced by great feeling and emotion—therefore, to obey strictly the rules of grammar shows the composition to be studied carefully, and not to have the sympathetic quality—therefore, I say, it is my belief and opinion that it would be more poetic and it would show more feeling, if the "for whom" would be changed to "for who."

An earnest and lively discussion followed this remark. The President was obliged to make use of his gavel three

times before he gained control of the house. The question was finally settled by a rising vote, and decided in favor of the "for who."

I heard one member remark that every person would know they knew better, but it would prove they cared more for the deceased brother than for a small mistake in grammar. After the audience had quieted down, the regular entertainment was begun by an organ solo played by the youngest member of the Society. The President requested that during this performance there should be no talking as the embryo Paderewski was going to play without his music. The youthful artist made his way to the organ with more speed than grace, seated himself with a force that almost upset the stool, and made a wild grab for the key-board,—result—a loud howl in the bass, followed by an echoing wail in the treble. This was evidently not what the musician intended to play, for he started a second time in quite a different key. I don't know whether he forgot "his piece," or whether he changed his mind, but he put forth a third effort which he carried to a truly marvelous finish. Between the second and third beginnings my friend said to me, "It must be 'The Lost Chord' "he is wanting to play,"—it sounded to me more like "Take me back to Mother."

Following this execution the Reciter of the Evening was introduced. His effusion was preceded by an enormous bow which almost hurled him from the rostrum ; it was marked (his speech, not the bow) by dramatic power and frequent unintelligible gestures and marred by a woeful accent.

His selection was "The Skeleton in Armor." I append a sample as it fell from his lips:—

"She vas a Brinse's jild,
I but a Wiking vild.
Ant, though she plushd ant zmilt
I vas discarted !

u. p. m. ad finem.

I am sorry that limited space prevents my giving a fuller account of the rest of the program, which was very exciting, as it included the debate and the oration.

They were the most brilliant achievements of the evening. The orator chose for his subject "The Strenuous Rough Rider" a powerful subject and one whose treatment thoroughly deserved the name,—the orator's manner was strikingly strenuous, and his riding over and through the King's English was decidedly rough, as for the rest, I was unable to see a different application of subject to subject matter.

The debate took up the vital question of whether ministers should or should not shave after their hair turned gray. The debaters were able speakers, all of them, and their arguments were so full of sound, common sense and superior intelligence, that I saw the judges waging a great internal conflict as to the proper decision.

The last speaker was especially fine. He summed up all the points advanced by his colleague and by his opponents in a masterly style, clinched every argument with a flourish and a "therefore vice versa, and the same, O honorable judges!" which completely won the judges and the house as well.

After all it is the last speech and the last word which counts.

The grand finale was the singing of "God be with you till we meet again," by the Nova Glee Club. So affecting it was that not an eye in that vast assemblage was dry.

When they will have their next meeting, I don't know, as they adjourned sine die.

Susan Becker.



While the students enjoyed the courses of study and the entertainments given by Professor Byron W. King, they in like manner appreciated the zeros received in their classes.

A small party of students spent a very pleasant day at Mount Gretna, on Saturday, May 3.

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EDITORIAL.

WE are glad to see the increase of college spirit in Lebanon Valley this spring. Already there are many evidences of the good work this college spirit has already accomplished. The lethargy that has characterized all movements here this year, has been shaken off. There has been an awakening of the student body. There are now evidences of a *desire* on the part of all of us to help further the diversified interests of the college. Before, this was not the case. It was only after considerable effort on the part of a few that anything was accomplished.

There is a spirit of union around the college now that before has not existed for some time. Each one takes an interest in college affairs. This is as it should be. To our mind no man is a true college man, who has not been interested in all the interests of the college, and helped personally and to the best of his ability, to advance those interests.

The college sport is not a true college man. He is one sided. The 'grind', however good his marks, is not a true college man. A good class standing is commendable and to be desired, but to put it above anything and everything else in the college, is to our mind, emphatically wrong. A man doing this reminds us of a parasite mistletoe, that to attain its short lived splendor saps the life from a stately oak and gives nothing in return.

The college training we are getting at the present time is for a definite end. It is to fit us for the place we will occupy when we leave college. It is said on good authority that the majority of the most responsible positions in this country today are held by college men and women. Is this not because these men and women are able to see beyond their own little circle and enter into the life of the great world around them? In their college days during the character forming period that endures to the end, they must have taken an interest and a part in the many college interests, else how are they able to see beyond their own little restricted horizon?

A man or a woman cannot be, at the same time, a passive spectator and an active participant in anything. A college student either takes part in the active college life around him, or becomes a 'grind' or a 'college sport'. Taking part in the life around him, his views are enlarged, his sympathies broadened and the roue corners are worn away. When such a man leaves college, he goes into the world a true representative college man. On the other hand the 'grind' and the college sport go into the world one sided men, narrow, prejudiced, having hurt themselves and doomed their own lives to failure or at the best to mediocrity.

Here at Lebanon Valley we are nearly all active participants in the college life. We realize that the interests of the college are our own interests, that in taking part in all the active college life around us we broaden our own horizons, brighten our own lives and become better prepared for the life before us.

DON'T KICK.

The chronic kicker, at his best, is a poor specimen of humanity. His face is usually long and thin, his digestion poor, and his general appearance seedy. The space he occupies is usually considered more valuable than his presence. He kicks at everything from morning until night. He kicks at the world of which he is a part, and thereby presents the laughable spectacle of kicking himself, and not having sufficient gray matter to recognize the fact. The intermittent kicker in time becomes the chronic kicker.

No man wants to employ a kicker. The kicker hurts his employer's business, and at the same time he hurts himself. A man who pushes and does not kick is always a companionable sort of chap. Everyone likes him. He has a good word for all. The world appreciates such a man and such a nature.

Let us not kick, let us push; If we cannot push let us at least *shut up*.

Kickers at Lebanon Valley are scarce and we are glad of it.



PHILOKOSMIAN ANNIVERSARY.

The Philokosmian Literary Society celebrated its thirty-fifth anniversary, Friday evening, May 2, in the college chapel. The room was beautifully decorated with the society colors and plants and every effort was put forth to make the event a success. The music for the occasion was furnished by Kurzenknabe's orchestra, Harrisburg, Pa.; everyone was highly pleased with their selections.

The Honorary orator, Rev. J. L. Keedy, a member of the class of '89, now engaged in the ministry at Walpole, Massachusetts, delivered a masterly talk; and the home

talent was fully appreciated by all. Following is the program in full :

March—Creole Belles,	Lampe.
Invocation,	Prof. John.
Indian War Dance,	Bellstedt.
President's Address,	J. Lehn Kreider.
March—A Frangesa,	Costa.
Oration—Beyond,	Alfred C. T. Sumner.
String Orchestra—La Toupie,	Gillet.
Oration—Epochs,	W. A. Sites
Florodora Waltzes,	Stuart.
Oration—American Principles,	Clayton C. Gohn.
March—Mr. Thomas Cat,	Hall.
Honorary Oration—Freedom and Truth,	Rev. John L. Keedy.
Overture—Jollities,	Bucholz.



CLIONIAN.

While in the spring term enthusiasm in society work is not as strong as in the winter months, yet the Clio girls are always working to better their society and the fine days of spring have not yet dulled their enthusiasm.

On the 18th of April the Clios gave an entertainment to the Senior class. This is the first time the Clionians have entertained the Seniors but the evening was spent so pleasantly that the girls have decided to act hostess to the graduates every year.

The joint sessions with our Kalo and Philo brothers will be two pleasant occasions during this term.

This term the Kalozetean and Philokosmian societies held their Anniversaries, and both were a credit to the institution. We as a society were proud to call them brothers.

Our president, Miss Gertrude Bowman, has been compelled to leave school for a few weeks on account of ill health. We hope she will be able to be with us in the near future.

ELIZABETH STEHMAN '02.

PHILOKOSMIAN.

The remodeling of the Philo Hall was begun, May 6. The plans and specifications for this work were drawn up by A. A. Ritcher, Lebanon, Pa., the successful competitor for the Reformed Church at Washington, which President Roosevelt will attend. The work is being done by Sherk and Wengert, Harrisburg, Pa. The Hall will combine the room, until recently occupied by the Kalozetean society, with the old Philo Hall.

The Clio-Philo joint session took place May 9. an excellent program was prepared for the occasion.

Mr. A. R. Geyer, of Middletown, Pa., was initiated into the active membership of the society during the past month.

W. E. RIEDEL, '04.



KALUZETEAN.

On the evening of April 25th the society entertained the Senior Class by the rendition of the following program: Address, Pres. C. A. Fisher; music; recitation, J. W. Kauffman; prophecy, A. K. Mills; music; "Practical Suggestions to our Seniors," J. H. Graybill; poem "Our Seniors," C. E. Shenk; music; oration, C. E. Roudabush. The music was furnished by the Johnson Sisters, of Lebanon.

We are glad to welcome to our ranks Mr. Lester Meiley and Mr. P. M. Holderman.

We will occupy our new hall in the Engle Conservatory of Music after the first of May.

C. E. ROUDABUSH, '03.



Y. W. C. A.

These evenings are very inviting but we trust that the girls will reserve one evening each week for the little prayer service. Work will go better and our pleasures enjoyed more for being in the service.

It is now about time to straighten up accounts and elect our delegates to the summer conference. We ex-

pect to have the State Secretary with us some time this month.

Miss Nettie Donahue and Miss Anna Hays became members of the association during the past month. We are glad to bid them welcome. NELLE C. REED.



Y. M. C. A.

On Sunday afternoon, April 27, W. H. Earnest, of Hummelstown, Pennsylvania, member of Harrisburg Bar, addressed the Y. M. C. A. upon the subject, "The Profession of Law as a Life Work." The very practical manner in which Mr. Earnest spoke of the many temptations to which the lawyer is exposed, and the excellent opportunities he has of doing good, made his remarks very interesting to all, and especially helpful to those who are contemplating law for a life work.

At the annual business meeting held May 2, the following officers were elected for the ensuing year:

President, W. C. Arnold; vice-president, Frank A. Heinaman; secretary, A. R. Clippinger; treasurer, A. C. Crone; Chorister, Pearl E. Mathias.

The past administration has been a successful one. The meetings have been well attended, and a deep interest has been shown by all; so with pleasant recollections of the past year, and the hope of a still more successful future, the new officers enter upon their respective duties.

The first Sunday of each month is devoted to Missionary work at which times a joint session is held with the Y. W. C. A. The programmes consist of discussions of various phases of missionary work, recitations and special music.

A. R. CLIPPINGER, '05.



LOCAL.

Baseball!

Glorious victories!

Three cheers for the boys!!!

The beauties of spring are all about us.

Mr. Beatty spent April 26 and 27 at the home of Mr. Reider.

The Misses Engle and Stehman spent Sunday at their homes.

Misses Clippinger, Reed, Keller, and Spayd, visited at Palmyra.

Mrs. A. A. Long, of Shamokin, was a visitor at the College.

The Normalites are here!—big, little; old, young, wise and otherwise.

Dr. Roop was in Dayton, Ohio, May 2-5, attending the meeting of the Board of Education.

Dr. Roop addressed the York Y. M. C. A. on April 13, and the Woman's Missionary Convention at Myers-town, April 16.

Messrs. Archie Beatty, of Quincy, and McCullough, of Shippensburg, were guests at the College attending the Philokosmian anniversary.

We are glad to note the interest taken by the girls in baseball. We trust that their enthusiasm will aid in spurring on our boys to still greater victories.

The Preps. now enjoy rambling over the country on botanizing excursions. They have many thrilling experiences.—Ex!—Miss Clippinger falls into the creek.

Miss Donohue and Miss Hays having passed through the regular initiation are now residents of the Ladies' Hall in good standing, and feel at home among the girls.

The Racquet Tennis Club has completed its court and is now busy with the racket. The Bison and Wynneyette Clubs expect to be ready to play in the very near future.

Roop in Apologetics, to Prof. John: "Now, really, Professor, as a matter of fact, do you believe that Jonah swallowed the whale?" Then he wondered why all the class laughed.

While playing ball, Mr. Lowery, a member of the class of '04, had his leg broken, and as a result will not

be back in school this term. Mr. Lowery's friends wish him a speedy recovery.

A beautiful afternoon: The door bell rings. "Is Miss —— in? Will you take a walk with me this afternoon? Why, yes; thank you. I'll call at——." A very frequent occurrence at the Ladies' Hall.



ALUMNI NOTES.

Harry M. Imboden '99, a medical student of Jefferson College, Philadelphia, returned home.

William H. Kreider, '94, an attorney of Philadelphia, is a candidate for the State Legislature.

J. P. Batdorf '99, of Annville, Pa., our active young merchant, has made extensive improvements.

Rev. S. F. Daugherty, '01, a successful pastor of our church at Highspire, paid us a visit recently.

W. S. Roop, '01, of Harrisburg, Pa., has not forgotten his Alma Mater. He spent May 2 and 3 with us.

Prof. N. C. Schlichter, '97, a pursuant of a course of study at Harvard University, was a visitor of the institution for a few days.

Rev. A. K. Weir, '00, of Gordonville, Pa., paid a visit to his Alma Mater and attended the Anniversary of the Kalozetean Literary Society, Friday, April 11.

Prof. I. W. Huntzberger, '99, teacher of mathematics in the Lebanon High School, called on us twice during the past month. The Alumnae and school should be in close touch.

Mrs. Leavans, '79, from Kansas City, paid a visit to the college and looked into its several departments. She was very favorably impressed with the many indications of progress.

Miss Lillie Kreider, '00, of Annville, Pa., was elected principal of the musical department in the Collegiate Institute, Danville, Ohio, and at once took charge of her department.

Miss Hattie S. Shelley '99, is the author of a book entitled "Poems of Life and Love." Her poetry has the spirit of genius.

Henry Baish, '01, Ward Principal of the Altoona public schools, spent May 2d with his many friends of the college. He also attended the Philokosmian Literary Society Anniversary May 2d.

Rev. I. E. Runk '99, a student of Union Biblical Seminary, was appointed pastor of our church at Mt. Joy, Pa., he succeeds Rev. J. A. Shelley, resigned, and will serve until annual conference.

Mr. Harry H. Yohe '01, who has just completed the first year's work of the Seminary course, has been appointed secretary of the Junior Department of the Dayton Y. M. C. A. We congratulate him upon his appointment.

Rev. W. G. Clippinger, '99, who is pursuing a theological course in the U. B. Seminary at Dayton, Ohio, was recently chosen pastor of the Riverdale U. B. church, of that city, for the summer. He follows Rev. H. K. Pitman, who is away for the summer on his vacation.



BASE BALL.

Never in the history of our College has any department of athletics begun so auspiciously as has base ball this season. Each member of the team is doing excellent work and to the pitching of Shenk is due much of the confidence which has been instilled into the team.

Albright has been elected captain, and the team is the same as last year's except that Barnhart is at short in place of Fenstermacher, and Frank Grey and Shenk have exchanged positions.

Seven games and six victories tell the tale. To the student body at large, base ball has become the uppermost interest and they are giving the team the best of support, both in finance and in rooting.

Our first game was with Susquehanna University, at Selins Grove, on April 19. The team left at 6.15 a. m., and was sent off amid yells, songs, and the tooting of

horns. Not knowing the strength of our opponents, the result was anxiously awaited by the boys at school. When, however, the good news came, they gave vent to their feelings, and, whooping and yelling, formed a parade, thus announcing the victory to the town. Shenk's pitching and the work of F. Grey and Clemens at the bat, were the features of the game. The score :

Lebanon Valley,	6	2	1	1	2	4	0	5	x—21
Susquehanna,	0	0	2	0	1	3	0	0	0—6

Our next game scheduled was with Muhlenburg, at Allentown, on April 26, but was cancelled by them because grounds could not be secured. Manager Cowling then procured a game with Mercersburg for that date. The game with the Indians scheduled for May 22, was then changed to Friday, April 25. The team was again given an enthusiastic send off by the boys. The game at Carlisle almost resulted in a shut out for the Indians. Shenk did great work, striking out eight men, and allowing but two hits, both singles. The score :

Lebanon Valley,	1	0	0	0	0	1	0	2	x—4
Indians,	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	0—1

The team passed the night at Carlisle and while here Frank Grey, who was to pitch the morrow's game, was called home, and the team was left in a dilemma. However it was agreed that Barnhart should do the pitching. That this game in particular should result in a victory, all were hoping, as our former experience in athletics with Mercersburg had resulted rather disastrously for us. Moreover this was the eighth game for Mercersburg and she also had not yet suffered defeat. The day was windy and at times the game was stopped because of this. Barnhart did fine work in the box, the greater is his credit as this was the first game he had pitched for four years. His support was excellent, notwithstanding conditions. By an oversight (?) on the part of Mercersburg Academy, the score was never published in the city papers. The score :

Lebanon Valley,	1	0	0	0	0	0	5	0	0—6
Mercersburg,	2	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	2—5

The score of each game was sent to school by telegram and great was the rejoicing among the boys when the scores were known. On its return the team was met at the station by a large crowd, amid red fire and cheers, and was carried to school on the shoulders of the enthusiastic admirers and supporters.

On May 3d, our fourth victory was wrested from the Steelton Y. M. C. A., at Steelton, the score resulting in a shut out. Shenk's twirling was again an enigma to the opponents, having eleven strike outs to his credit and giving but one hit. Snoke's work with the stick was marvelous; out of five hits made by our boys, three, a single, a double, and a three-bagger, were made by him. Bent, who shut out Harvard while playing with Williams, two years ago, did fine work for Steelton, but his support was not of the best order. The score:

Lebanon Valley,	o	o	o	o	o	2	1	2	o—5
Steelton,	o	o	o	o	o	o	o	o	o—0

The victory, which in a sense was the greatest, was won on May 7, from the Penn Park team, of York. In a closely contested game "the mushroom college from Dutchtown" opened the eyes of the York people and won by the score 5 to 3. Hendricks by pulling down with bare hand a long drive which looked good for a two-bagger, won applause from all. Frank Grey pitched such ball as surprised even our own boys, and anything which came anywhere near the pitcher's box was quickly accepted by him. The team gave Grey excellent support and played neat ball. Our hits were bunched and effective. Another game has been arranged for at York on Monday, May 19. The score:

Lebanon Valley,	o	1	2	1	o	1	o	o	o—5
Penn Park,	o	1	1	o	o	o	o	1	o—3

On May 10 we suffered our first defeat at the hands of Albright College at Myerstown. A special train carried over a hundred rooters to the game. This is the first the two schools have met in athletics for sometime, and judging by the comparative scores our boys were confident of winning. The team, however, was not in its

best form, Miller was suffering for a week from a lame back, and Clemens had left the team. Shenk was in the box and did his usual good work, but was not properly supported by the infield. Lebanon Valley was in the lead until the eighth inning, when the score was 8 to 7 in favor of Albright. In the ninth inning, with second and third bases filled and but one man out, it looked as if we would win out, but neither Barnhart nor Grey could make a hit and the side was retired without scoring. To the poor support is due the defeat, Albright having but one earned run. The score :

Lebanon Valley,	5	0	2	0	9	0	0	0	0—7
Albright,	0	1	2	0	0	0	3	2	0—8

On Thursday, May 13, the first game was played on home grounds with Susquehanna University. They opened the game by scoring two runs in the first inning and kept our boys from scoring until the fourth inning when, by timely batting and costly errors on their part, we made three runs. Neither side scored then until the eighth inning when Lebanon Valley knocked the ball all over the lot and scored nine runs. Hendricks, and Snoke led off in the batting, and Gray's work in the box was excellent, giving the opponents but six hits. The score :

Lebanon Valley,	0	0	0	3	0	0	0	9	x—12
Susquehanna,	2	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0—2

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EXCHANGES.

A review of Mary Johnston's "Audrey" in the Muhlenburg is nicely handled.

The West Chester Amulet manifests an ever progressing spirit. The Shakespeare number merits a second reading.

"The Image on the Trail" in the Ursinus College Bulletin, and "The Doctor's Story" in the Otterbein Ægis, are excellent.

In the Anchor we find an article, "The Pleasure of the Melancholy," which strikes our fancy. It is an odd subject well treated.

A series of articles in the Comenian, "The Mulvaneys and their German Neighbors," shows a desirable knowledge of dialect.

The Lesbian Herald contains two solid articles, "Chaucer's Portrayal of Humanity," and "Shakespeare's Plain People."

The Dickinson Literary Magazine, The Gettysburg Mercury, The High School Argus, and The Susquehanna, both in contents and make-up are among the most attractive of our exchanges.

The exchange column of the college journal has now become a fixture; its absence leaves an issue incomplete and detracts much from its interest. With the Gettysburg Mercury we deplore the fact that in some journals its existence or non-existence depends alone on the scarcity or abundance of material in general.

To see ourselves as others see us is often the inspiration to better ourselves and the means of correcting our faults. The Folio expresses the chief need of all exchange editors, when it speaks of the limited vocabulary and cries for a new one. Perhaps in no other department is there so little choice of language. We seek the novel, yet rarely attain to it. Be that as it may, to its editors it is ever a pleasing and instructive duty.

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THE CLASS OF 1902.

GEORGE HENRY ALBRIGHT is a native Pennsylvanian and received his common school education in the public schools of Manheim and Shamokin. Since coming to Lebanon Valley he has taken a great interest in athletics, playing quarter-back on the foot ball team and first base on the base ball team. He was captain of the base ball team this spring.

He will take a course at Jefferson Medical College.

JOHN H. ALLEMAN took a Ph. B. from Illinois Wesleyan University, in 1897. He received an A. B. from Lebanon Valley this commencement.

He holds the position of Superintendent of Schools at Dubois, Pa.

MISS MARGARET ATTWOOD, of Lebanon, Pa., is a native of England. She has taken a course in music. She will continue her residence in Lebanon.

MISS ARABELLE BATDORF graduated in music. She will continue to reside in Annville, Pa., and teach music.

MISS EMMA BATDORF is a native of Annville, Pa. She is a graduate of the musical department, and also a graduate of the collegiate department, class of '99.

She is instructor in elocution in the College.

MISS GERTRUDE MAY BOWMAN is from the Buckeye State, and graduated from Steele High School, Dayton. She has taken a course in music, at Lebanon Valley, and while here was prominent in the social life of the college.

She expects to teach music next year.

DAVID DANIEL BUDDINGER is an Iowan, and received his early schooling in that State. He is a clergyman and a member of the Eastern Pennsylvania Conference. He is noted for his loyalty to the class of 1902.

DONALD JOHN COWLING is from Trevalga, Cornwall, England, and graduated from a high school in Canada. At Lebanon Valley he has been prominent in Y. M. C. A. work, the social life of the College, and in athletics. He played end on the foot ball team and was manager of the base ball team this season.

He will pursue graduate work in Yale University.

SAMUEL HOFFMAN DERICKSON was born in Pennsylvania and received his early education in the public schools. He was assistant business manager of the "Bizarre" of the class of 1902, and editor-in-chief of the LEBANON VALLEY FORUM in his Senior year.

He will attend John Hopkins University and prepare himself to teach the biological sciences.

MISS NETA BEATRICE ENGLAR was born at Windsor, Md., but lives at present at Gratis, Ohio. She has been prominent in literary society work and in the social side of college life. She has taken a musical course and next year expects to teach.

MISS MAUD ALMA ENGLE is a Pennsylvanian. While in college she has been prominent socially, and as a member of the Y. W. C. A. social committee she has largely helped to make many a Christian Association reception a success. She has taken a musical course. She expects to remain at home.

CLAUDE ROY ENGLE is well-known in college as a lover of athletics. He has been half and full-back on the foot ball team, and was assistant manager of the base ball team last year.

For some time, at least, he expects to be in business, before taking graduate work in the university.

CLEVELAND CLAYTON GOHN is a Keystone boy. Before entering Lebanon Valley, he attended Western College, Toledo, Iowa. He played end and quarter-back on the foot ball team and was a substitute on the base ball team.

In the fall he will enter the Seminary, at Dayton, O.

THOMAS WALKER GRAY came to Lebanon Valley from Mercersburg Academy. He has, during his whole college course, been very prominent in athletics. He has played end and full-back on the foot ball team, and right field on the base ball team. He was captain of the foot ball team of 1901.

He will go into business next fall.

JOSEPH LEHN KREIDER is a native Pennsylvanian. He received his early education in the public schools of Annville. Since entering college he has taken a great interest in chemistry and in the fall expects to enter one of the great universities to do graduate work in chemistry.

THOMAS ADAM LAWSON is a native of Dallastown, Pa., where he received his common school education. While in college here, he has been known as particularly expert in mathematics.

In the fall he will enter Jefferson Medical College.

MISS NETTIE SUSANA LOCKEMAN is from York, Pa. She has taken a course in music, and while in college has always been noted for her amiable disposition and unfailing good humor.

She will next year attend the Peabody Institute, Baltimore, Md.

ISAAC FISHER LOOS is a Pennsylvanian by birth. He entered Lebanon Valley College with the intention of pursuing a literary course, but soon gave it up for a course in music. He is a very talented musician and after teaching for a year, will complete his musical education in Germany.

ARTHUR WESLEY MILLER was born at Mechanicsburg, Pa. While at Lebanon Valley he was noted for his inventive skill. He was the artist of his class annual, and was center on the foot ball team.

He will continue his scientific training in State College next year.

MISS EDITH MYERS, a native of New Jersey, is the only graduate from the art department this year. She was one of the artists of her class annual, and has taken great interest in literary society work while in college.

She is not fully decided on her work for next year.

WILLIAM JACOB SANDERS was born at Millersville, Pa., and received his early education in the public schools of Sunbury, Pa. Since entering Lebanon Valley he has been prominent in nearly every line of student activity. He was editor-in-chief of his class annual, and last year literary editor of the LEBANON VALLEY FORUM.

He is undecided as to his future course.

WILLIAM ALGERON SITES attended the public and high schools of Harrisburg, Pa., before entering Lebanon Valley. He is a clergyman, and will take a course in the Seminary at Dayton, O.

MISS ELIZABETH LUCRETIA STEHMAN comes from Mountville, Pa. She has taken a musical course, and while in college has been prominent as a Y. W. C. A. worker. Next year she expects to spend at the home of her parents, Mountville, Pa.

ALFRED CHARLES TENNYSON SUMNER comes from Bonthe, Sherbro, West Africa. He graduated from the United Brethren Mission School at Shengeh, West Africa, 1895, and taught two years before coming to this country. He entered Lebanon Valley in the fall of 1898, and has been a brilliant student and a general favorite during his college course.

This fall he will enter a Mission Training School in New York, where he expects to spend two years. After completing the mission training course, he will return as a missionary to his native land.

MISS MARY ZIMMERMAN is a musical graduate. She will reside at her home, Annville, Pa., next year.

COMMENCEMENT ORATION.

The following is the substance of the brilliant oration delivered by the Honorable James M. Beck, Assistant Attorney General of the United States. The oration was delivered from notes and no manuscript was available.

In the beginning of his address Mr. Beck expressed his appreciation of the compliment given him in inviting him to deliver the Commencement Address. He humorously remarked that he does not wholly believe in addresses of this kind because they violate that clause in the Constitution which forbids the infliction of "cruel and unusual punishment."

The most appropriate address for such an occasion he believed is the practical one, one that has some direct relation to the life problem with which the graduates are confronted. He would not, therefore, attempt an abstract and scholarly discussion, but would give advice to the graduate. True it is easier to teach than to follow one's own teaching, for, "if to do were as easy as to know what were good to do, chapels had been churches and poor men's cottages, princes' palaces."

Mr. Beck congratulated President Roop and the graduating class on the successful completion of another year, and asserted that he is convinced that the future of higher education in America depends on the large number of small colleges rather than on the small number of large colleges. The future of the individual usually lies in his immediate neighborhood.

Referring to the work of Lebanon Valley College, Mr. Beck said that the annual catalogue shows that of the three hundred or more Alumni, fifty-five are engaged in mercantile pursuits, nine are farmers, (and they are better farmers for having had a collegiate training) thirteen are lawyers, ten are physicians, fifty-three are

ministers and eighty are teachers, while the names of a large number in the catalogue are followed by parentheses which indicate that they are engaged in the noblest profession of all,—that of wife and mother. No other alumni shows so high a percentage of graduates engaged in professions whose primary mission is the development of the higher nature of man.

Mr. Beck congratulated the graduates upon the conclusion of their course, but emphasized the fact that their studies, far from being complete, are merely begun. Unlike Alexander, the student always finds more worlds to conquer. The story of the boy digging a hole in the sand in which to put the sea is applicable in the sense that no one mind can contain all of knowledge, and inapplicable in that the capacity of the human mind is not a fixed quantity, but is capable of indefinite expansion.

The speaker further congratulated the graduates upon the age in which they live. The present age is one in which the possibilities are greater than in any which preceded it. This is particularly true of young men who live in the United States, for United States spells opportunity. This is the age of equality, not equality of capacity or similarity of environment, but equality as Jefferson understood it. Men are equal in this country to-day in that they have equality of civil and political opportunity so far as the government and the laws can grant it. There never was an age in which great careers were more open to men of talent than they are today.

The class was next congratulated on their youth. The prevalent idea that youth is a period of probation is a mistake. Young men should remember that their age of achievement has already been reached. Shakespeare speaks of the "Kingly State on youth." Christ and Buddha were young men. Alexander closed his career at thirty-two. Caesar and Napoleon won distinction at thirty-five, Newton at twenty-three, Sheridan at twenty

two, and Byron at twenty-four. Bryant was eighteen when he wrote *Thanatopsis*, Shelly won fame at eighteen, Shakespeare at twenty-seven and Patrick Henry at twenty-nine. Jefferson was thirty-two when he wrote the Declaration of Independence. At the same age Hamilton formulated the financial system of our country. Paul Jones was little younger when he won, perhaps, the most famous naval victory in American annals. Theodore Roosevelt, the President of the United States, is in his easy forties. These examples prove that in youth the race is on. It is not ahead of you—Press forward.

The speaker then analyzed the elements of success. He cautioned the graduates not to lay too much stress on the value of a degree. Mere intellectual gifts do not bring success. There is a tendency toward too much reading and too little thinking. There is too much distributing of other men's ideas and too little development of our own. Success depends on character, on the proper combination of brain, heart and soul. To be successful one must have faith in himself, faith in his work, faith in his fellow men and faith in the nobility and purpose of life.

To illustrate his point, Mr. Beck referred to Hamlet, characterizing him as a splendid example of well developed brain, strong athletic body and high social standing. Hamlet failed because of weak resolve, lack of courage and faith. Hamlet had no confidence in his own mission, no confidence in his fellow men and was altogether pessimistic concerning life. Hence he failed in spite of physical and intellectual equipment of a high order. Had Hamlet believed in the mission of his life, he might have been a man of action and would have been successful. Without faith and that self reliance and stability which go with it, man is a rudderless vessel. Success is impossible to a man destitute of these qualities. He who goes through life groaning in despair is

sure to fail. During the French Revolution when France, unprepared, was threatened by the invasion of the Austrian and the Prussian armies, Canton in addressing the assembly, said, "If we would win, we must Dare, Dare, evermore Dare." Acting on this spirit of self-reliance France was saved.

Many persons fear to act because they cannot see the full consequence of their proposed action. In the very nature of the case full consequence can never be measured and the element of faith has become an important one. Intelligent critics frequently think too precisely of the event. They waste their time in destructive criticism and accomplish nothing.

We must expect defeats as well as victories. Defeats are often temporary, and frequently pave the way for victories. Washington's first campaign resulted in his surrender at Fort Mifflin. Brandywine and Germantown preceded Yorktown, Bull Run preceded Appomattox. Disraeli was jeered and hooted when he first tried to address the Commons. That speech was never delivered but his promise that some day he would be heard was fulfilled, for in the height of his power Parliament gave heed to his weakest efforts. The courage that goes with faith and self reliance assures success. Mediocrity with courage defeats genius.

Not only must a man have faith in himself, but he must have faith in his work. Even criminals pride themselves with their skill. The counterfeiters recently tried for their operations at Lancaster were elated at their skill in so long deceiving the government. We must have faith in the higher mission of our work. To each is given an instrument in the symphony of life. Each must play his instrument not half heartedly—for to the half hearted man success is impossible—but with enthusiasm, with confidence that others will do their part if we but do ours.

The third requisite is faith in our fellow men. To insure success in the symphony of life each must have confidence in the other. Hamlet lacked this element. Alexander Hamilton, great as a statesman, failed as a political leader because he was an intellectual and political autocrat. The downfall of the Federalist party is to be attributed largely to this lack of faith in the masses. Jefferson on the other hand was successful as a political leader because he believed in the people. McKinley's marvellous success is to be attributed to the same source.

But success will not be complete unless we have faith in the nobility of life. We must believe that life is worth living, that there is purpose in the universe and that our life is a part of the great plan and purpose. We must believe in God and in the Divine ordering of the world.

Mr. Beck concluded with a quotation from Carlyle, and sat down amid great applause.



COMMENCEMENT WEEK.

SUNDAY.

On Sunday morning, June 15th, the Baccalaureate sermon was delivered by Pres. H. U. Roop. Prof. B. F. Daugherty offered the invocation and Rev. Wm. F. DeLong, pastor of Christ Reformed church, read the scripture lesson. The college pastor, Rev. J. T. Shaffer, led in prayer. After an anthem by the Choral Society, "Marvellous are Thy Works," Pres. Roop preached the sermon from John 8: 12: "I am the Light of the World; he that followeth me need not walk in darkness, but shall have the Light of Life." The sermon was a thoughtful one and its

kindly words were appreciated by all who had the privilege of being present.

At 3 P. M. a complimentary organ recital was given by Prof. Oldham in the college chapel. Prof. Oldham was assisted by Misses Hattie Shelley, Margaret Attwood, Mamie Keller and Mr. I. F. Loos. The recital was much enjoyed.

At 6 P. M. a praise service of the Y. M. and Y. W. C. A. was held in the college chapel.

At 8 P. M. occurred the annual address before the Christian Associations of the College. This was delivered by Hon. S. J. M. McCarrell, of Harrisburg, on the subject "The Obligations of Citizenship." The address was a very excellent one, full of practical suggestions.

MONDAY

On Monday evening occurred the graduating exercises of the Conservatory of Music. The chapel was crowded. The following is the programme :

Wagner—"Tannhauser." Overture,

Gertrude Bowman,	Margaret Attwood,
Elizabeth Stehman,	Alma Engle.

Arthur Foote—Irish Folk Song, Emma Batdorf.

Dudley Buck—"At Evening."

Wely—Offertoire in G.

Arabelle Batdorf.

Thomas—Gavotte from "Mignon,"

Emma Batdorf.

Rossini—Semiramide,

Alma Engle,	Elizabeth Stehman,
Neta Englar,	Arabelle Batdorf.

Sullivan—"And God Shall Wipe Away,"

Emma Batdorf.

Goldmark—"Sakuntala" Overture,

I. F. Loos,	Nettie Lockeman,
Neta Englar,	Mary Zimmerman.

After the program Pres. Roop presented the diplomas to the graduates: Margaret Attwood, Lebanon, Pa., Arabelle Batdorf, Emma Batdorf, Annville, Pa.; Gertrude Bowman, Dayton, Ohio; Neta Englar, Gratis, Ohio; Maude Alma Engle, Hummelstown, Pa.; Nettie Lockeman, York, Pa.; Elizabeth Stehman, Mountville, Pa.; I. F. Loos, Hamburg, Pa.

TUESDAY.

At 10 A. M. the board of trustees met and looking over the business of the college for the past year and finding affairs in good condition, adopted a plan, whereby it is hoped to raise \$50,000 by October 15, 1903. That this plan be carried out is the earnest hope of all friends of the college. During commencement week \$16,500 was subscribed to the above fund.

At 8 P. M. occurred the Junior Oratorical Contest, the winner being J. Walter Esbenshade. The following is the programme:

Organ Solo—Offertoire,	Wely
Arabelle Batdorf, '00.	
Invocation.	
Violin Solo—Largo,	Handel
Fred Light, '00.	
Oration—Preparation for the Real,	W. C. Arnold
Oration—Reciprocity,	J. Walter Esbenshade
Quartet—Good Night,	Goldberg
Mary Kreider, '99	Hattie Shelly, '99
Anna Kreider, '00	Mrs. M. E. Brightbill, '81
Oration—The Home,	I. Moyer Hershey
Oration—David Livingstone,	H. F. Rhoad
Piano Solo—Grand Valse de Concert,	Wianaski
Decision of Judges.	

Judges:	Alumni Prize Committee:
S. P. Light, Esq., '80,	Prof. H. H. Shenk, '00
Rev. W. H. Washinger, '91,	Prof. B. F. Daugherty '89
L. S. Shimmel, Ph. D.	Miss Ella N. Black '96.

ALUMNI BANQUET.

After the Junior Oratorical Contest, occurred one of the most delightful events of the week, it being the occasion of the Alumni banquet. Everything was so well planned and so perfectly carried out that the evening lacked that uninviting stiffness which sometimes characterizes such occasions but in its place was found a free cordiality and congenial warmth. Having given well wishes to the class of 1902, ones eyes, on entering the dining hall, were greeted with a long table laden with the luxuries and delicacies of life. Soon, about the room, were seated a happy crowd of lovers of their Alma Mater feasting and enjoying the memories of other days. After the menu had been served, Dr. Albert Kreider, '92, now a professor of Yale University, acting as toast master, suggested a few most interesting and inspiring thoughts regarding the function of the smaller colleges, with special reference to our own, after which he introduced the following who gave toasts: Pres. Roop, Miss Hattie Shelley, Mr. A. C. T. Sumner, Rev. A. A. Long, Bishop J. S. Mills.

This together with several class yells and songs completed the evening's festivities and, as each departed, he felt that he had been drawn a little nearer his college and bound a little more closely to his fellow Alumni.

WEDNESDAY.

Wednesday morning the Alumni Association held its meeting in the College Chapel. The meeting was well attended. The following officers were elected for the ensuing year:—President, Simon P. Light, '80; recording secretary, Ella Black, '96; corresponding secretary, Mary Kreider, '99; treasurer, Rev. I. H. Albright, '76.

Class Day exercises took place at 2 P. M. The whole program was amusing, the "Response" of the Junior President, W. C. Arnold, to the Senior Presentation to the Juniors being clever and worthy of special mention.

The following is the programme and class song :

Piano Solo,	Isaac F. Loos
President's Address,	Wm. J. Sanders
Baccalaureate Discourse,	D. D. Buddinger
Class History,	J. Lehn Kreider
Quartet,	
Alma Engle,	A. C. T. Sumner,
Nettie Lockeman,	Claude R. Engle.
Master Oration,	Donald J. Cowling
Junior Prize Oration,	Clayton C. Gohn
Our Faculty's Eccentricities,	George H. Albright
Piano Solo,	Gertrude Bowman
Presentation to Juniors,	S. H. Derickson
Response,	
Class Prophecy,	A. C. T. Sumner
Address to Undergraduates,	William A. Sites
Vocal Solo	Claude R. Engle
Review of Bizarre, 1903,	
T. W. Gray,	Edith Myers
Class Testamentum,	A. W. Miller
Piano Duet,	
Elizabeth Stehman,	Neta Englar
Presentation to the Class,	Thomas a Lawson
Class Song.	

CLASS SONG.

The hour of parting draws apace,
For college days are o'er,
But Alma Mater in our hearts,
Thy love is evermore.

Cho.—For naughty-two and L. V. C.,
Hurray ! hurray ! hurray !
Then cheer again ye college men,
The crimson flag for aye.

And as the years of life roll on,
We're proud to be thy sons :
Bound by a tie that cannot die,
Love to our college chums.

In lands afar where'er we are :
In distant years to come ;
Hail L. V.'s name, Hail L. V.'s fame,
We're 'mongst the chosen ones.

Words by C. C. Gohn. Music by Isaac F. Loos.

The Annual Concert of the Conservatory of Music was given at 7.45 P. M. The Chapel was crowded and the concert was in every respect most thoroughly enjoyed. It was said to have been one of the best ever given by the Conservatory of Music. The programme was as follows :

Suppe—Paragraph III	
Elizabeth Stehman	Alma Engle
Neta Englar	Mary Zimmerman
Gounod—"Nuit Resplendente,"	Jennie Leslie
Bellini—"Puritani,"	
Sadie Herr	H. Oldham
Wagner—"Eliza's Dream,"	Mamie Keller
Pagnoncelli—Ballata,	
Virgie Bachman	Valeria Heilman
Nettie Diem	Clara Eisenbaugh
Margaret Gray	Jennie Valerchamp
Wieniawski—"Legende,"	
Musin—Mazurka,	
Prof. S. E. McComsey	
Meyerbeer—Page's Song	
Marzo—"Maraquita"	
Emma Batdorf	
Wely—Hymn of the Nuns	
Batiste—Offertoire in G	
Arabelle Batdorf	
Meyerbeer—Les Huguenots	
Gertrude Bowman	I. F. Loos
Giorza—Tarantelle	Anna Kreider
Mohring—"Legends"	
Clara Eisenbaugh	Mamie Keller
Jennie Leslie	Susie Reiter
De Kontski—Le Reviel de Lion	
Gertrude Bowman	Margaret Attwood
Nettie Lockeman	I. F. Loos
H. Oldham	

THURSDAY.

The Commencement Exercises took place at 10 A. M., in the Chapel. The Commencement oration, delivered by Hon. James M. Beck, Assistant Attorney General

of the United States, is given in another place in this magazine.

Honorary degrees of Doctor of Divinity were conferred on Rev. R. J. White, A. M., Buffalo, N. Y., and Rev. Lawrence Keister, A. M., B. D., Mt. Pleasant, Pa., and Doctor of Laws on William H. Gottwald, Washington, D. C.

Pres. Roop announced the following prizes awarded: Ethics prize, D. J. Cowling and A. C. T. Summer; honorable mention, W. J. Sanders. Latin prize, Edna Engle and W. R. Appenzellar.

The following are the subjects of the theses and the degrees that were conferred on the graduates: Bachelor of Science—First Steps in the Development of the State, George H. Albright, Lebanon, Pa.; Education and Religion, David D. Buddinger, Annville, Pa.; Comparative Indian Mythology, Claude R. Engle, Brownstone, Pa.; Superstition of Pennsylvania, Thomas W. Gray, Ickesburg, Pa.; Slavery in Pennsylvania, Clayton C. Gohn, York Haven, Pa.; Formation of Soils, Joseph Lehn Kreider, Annville, Pa.; Palmistry, Thomas A. Lawson, Dallastown, Pa.; The Effect of Heat and Light on Seed Germination and Plant Growth, S. Hoffman Derickson, Newport, Pa.; Springs of Moral Action, A. Wesley Miller, Mechanicsburg, Pa. Bachelor of Arts—Why Some Teachers Fail, John H. Alleman, Johnsonburg, Pa.; Leibnitz's Theory of Monades, Donald J. Cowling, Scottdale, Pa.; God in History, William J. Sanders, Sunbury, Pa.; History of Lebanon Valley College, William A. Sites, Harrisburg, Pa.; Virtue versus Vice, Alfred Charles Tennyson Sumner, Bonthe, West Africa. Master of Science—Alma Mae Light, '99, Annville, Pa. Master of Arts—I. W. Huntzberger, '99, Lebanon, Pa.

After conferring the degrees President Roop announced to the audience that Mrs. S. L. Brightbill and her

son, Mr. Morris E. Brightbill, would give a new gymnasium to the College. This announcement was greeted by the heartiest applause and by the college cheer for the generous donors.

Thursday evening from 8 to 11 P. M. was the final event of the week, the Senior Reception. The night was all that could be desired, cool, pleasant and with bright moonlight. The music was by the Kurzenknabe Orchestra, Harrisburg, and Loser had charge of the refreshments. The event was a most enjoyable one. Memories of the evening will long linger in the minds of the many outside and student guests of the class of 1902.



The Recitals given by the graduates in music were much enjoyed by all in attendance. The selections were well rendered and the performers are to be congratulated.

The High School Commencement was held in the College Chapel, May 16. Dr. Roop delivered the address.

On the evening of June 14, the Department of Elocution gave a recital in the College Chapel. All performed their parts well, and the audience was pleasantly entertained.

It will be pleasing to the friends and students of the College to know that Professor Howard E. Enders has been persuaded to reconsider his resignation, and will be in the faculty again next year.

Miss Young, of Dayton, Ohio; Misses Shoemaker and Bickle, and Mr. Harry Snoke, of Harrisburg; Mr. Charlie Clippinger and Miss Amy Clippinger, of Chambersburg, and Miss Seib, were among the guests of the College during the month of May.

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EDITORIAL.

COMMENCEMENT WEEK, with all its festivities, has come and gone. Another class has completed its theoretical training, and has gone forth from the old college halls, to fight its battles in this practical old world.

It is with the greatest regret that we see the members of the class of 1902 go away from the college, to return no more as active members of the student body. In every line of college activity, religion, scholarship, in social and athletic affairs, they have been the leaders. Their places will be hard to fill.

Their struggles for success will be watched by their Alma Mater with the most profound interest. The honors that come to them will be her's also.

The college graduates of to-day realize well that a college diploma is no free pass over the road of either fame or fortune. That a college diploma signifies only, that a young man or woman has had a certain amount of preliminary training. A college diploma however *does* signify that the holder has had the opportunity to become well prepared to begin a practical life.

The diploma in itself means little or nothing. But it is the industry, patience, determination, and honesty, that won the diploma, that means everything to its holder.

In whatever way we may interpret *success*, the young man or woman who keeps firm faith in God, and *goes ahead* with patience, determination and honesty, will win his or her full measure.

To each and every member of the Class of 1902 Lebanon Valley College extends her best wishes for your full and complete success in life.

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THE WELCOME news of a gymnasium to be built, gladdens the heart of every well-wisher of Lebanon Valley College. The need for a well-equipped gymnasium has long been felt, and that this long-hoped-for building will soon be up and ready for use, is good news indeed, for the whole college.

To Mrs. S. L. Brightbill and her son, Mr. Morris E. Brightbill, are due the thanks of the whole college and of the generations of students yet to come, for their magnificent generosity in giving the Brightbill gymnasium to Lebanon Valley College.

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THE BASE BALL season just closed, has been one of the most successful in the history of the college. The team has played splendid base ball. The students have taken the utmost interest in the team, and the games, as

a rule, have been well attended.

Special mention is due Mr. Donald J. Cowling, the manager of the team, for his schedule of games and for the business like way in which he managed the team. Every cent of the subscription taken at the college, was payed. The treasury, instead of being empty and the Athletic Association in debt, contains a neat sum with which to start the season next year.

The season, as a whole, has in every way, been a successful one, and one of which every student is proud.



PERSONALS.

Vacation.

Farewell to the Class of 1902.

The Juniors were entertained at the home of Dr. Roop, on the evening of May 23.

Dr. and Mrs. Roop gave a reception to the Senior Class and Faculty, on the evening of June 13.

MARRIED. On June 23, 1902, at the home of President H. U. Roop, Annville, Pa., Professor Norman Colestock Schlichter and Miss M. Etta Wolfe. The wedding was a very quiet one. President Roop read the marriage service.

Professor and Mrs. Schlichter are well-known in college circles, and THE LEBANON VALLEY FORUM extends to them its heartiest congratulations and good wishes.

We were glad to see the large number of guests in town during commencement week. Among those visiting students were: Mrs. E. C. Eichleberger, Mrs. H. Raber, Miss Grace Croll and Mrs. Harry Lockeman of York; Misses Mary Quigley and Elsie Diem, Mrs. Myers, of Mt. Joy; Mr. Goldsmith, of Scotland; Mr. John Stehman and Miss Stella Stehman, of Mountville; Rev. J. P. Cowling, of Scottdale; Mr. and Mrs. Roop,

of Highspire ; Mrs. Bowman and Miss Ada McBride, of Dayton, Ohio, and Miss Mabel Nissley, of Hummelstown, and many others.



ALUMNI NOTES.

Miss Emma A. Loose, '01, a successful teacher, of Hamburg, Pa., was a visitor at the college.

E. O. Burtner, '90, of Hummelstown, Pa., enjoyed the usual interesting commencement exercises.

Miss Alma Mae Light and I. W. Huntzberger, both members of the class of 99, received the Master's degree June 19.

E. S. Roop, '01, of Philadelphia, a pursuant of the Reformed Theological course, spent commencement week with his Alma Mater.

Rev. A. A. Long, '89, a successful minister of Shamokin, Pa., enjoyed the pleasant associations of his many friends here for a few days.

Grant B. Gerberich, class of 1900, recently was elected principal of the Johnsonburg schools, this state. It is a deserved promotion, and we wish him success.

H. B. Dohner, 78, formerly financial secretary of the college, now an active clergyman, of Reading, was warmly received by his many friends of the institution during Commencement week.

Rev. W. H. Washinger, '91, presiding elder of Chambersburg District, Pennsylvania conference, served as one of the judges in the first Junior oratorical contest.

S. P. Light, Esq., '81, of Lebanon, received the same distinction on the same occasion.

Miss Hattie Shelley, '99, has returned to her Alma Mater to continue her studies in music. She has offered a prize of fifteen dollars for dramatic reading, to be first offered next year and continue as long as interest is manifested in Elocution.

BASE BALL.

The Editor is indebted to Mr. W. R. Appenzellar, '04, for the Base Ball news for the Season of 1902.

The season's record :

Apr. 19—L. V. vs. Susquehanna, at Selins Grove, 21-6.
 Apr. 25—L. V. vs. Indians, at Carlisle, 4-1.
 Apr. 26—L. V. vs. Mercersburg, at Mercersburg, 6-5.
 May 3—L. V. vs. Steelton Y. M. C. A., at Steelton, 5-0.
 May 7—L. V. vs. Penn Park, at York, 5-3.
 May 10—L. V. vs. Albright, at Myerstown, 7-8.
 May 13—L. V. vs. Susquehanna, at Annville, 12-2.
 May 17—L. V. vs. Indians, at Annville, 7-0.
 May 19—L. V. vs. Penn Park, at York, 2-6.
 May 20—L. V. vs. York Y. M. C. A., at York, 0-5.
 May 24—L. V. vs. H. A. C., at Harrisburg, 2-10.
 May 28—L. V. vs. Gettysburg, at Gettysburg, 2-4.
 May 30—L. V. vs. Middletown, at Middletown, 12-7.
 May 30—L. V. vs. Middletown, at Middletown, 5-1.
 May 31—L. V. vs. Muhlenburg, at Annville, 17-1.
 June 5—L. V. vs. Bucknell, at Annville, 4-9.
 June 7—L. V. vs. Albright, at Annville, 9-5.
 June 14—L. V. vs. Delaware, at Annville, 0-1.
 June 16—L. V. vs. Albright, at Myerstown, 0-9.

Varying, but good success, has followed our base ball team this season. Since our last issue, six games have been lost, five won, and one forfeited.

May 17, the Indians were defeated 7 to 0. The game was a good exhibition of ball playing, but the Indians were unable to find Shenk for more than one hit, while our boys made twelve hits. The fielding on both sides was excellent. The score :

L. V.,	3	3	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0-7
Indians,	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0-0

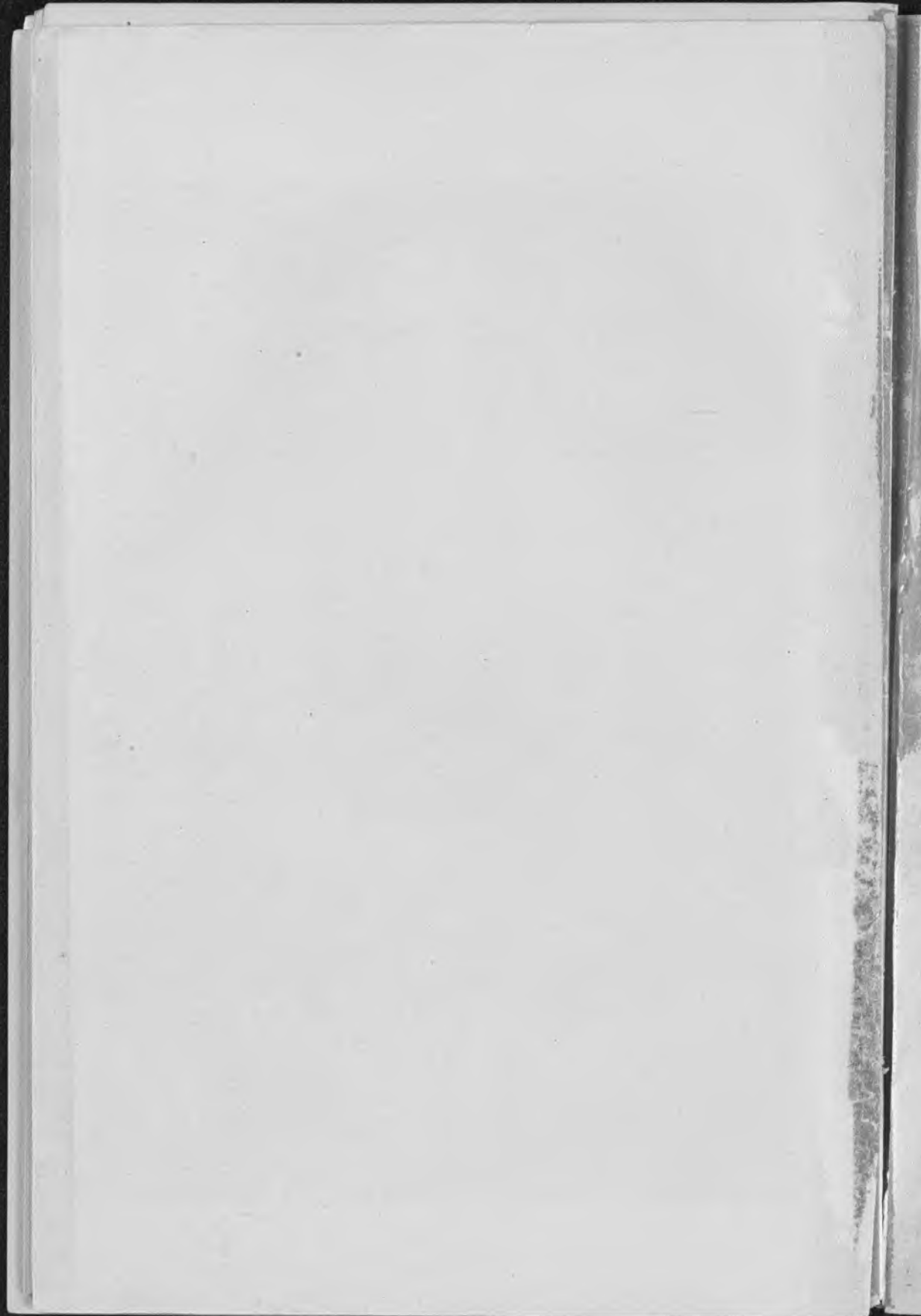
On May 19, we played our second game with Penn Park and were defeated. Barnhart was in the box and weakened in the third inning, allowing five runs to be scored, and another run was scored in the fourth, but after the fourth not a man reached first. L. V. earned two runs, and none of Penn Park's were earned. The score :

L. V.,	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	1-2
Pen Park,	0	0	5	1	0	0	0	0	x-6



BASE BALL TEAM

J. L. DOUGHERTY	RUSH HENDRICKS	G. H. ALBRIGHT
ALBERT SHENK	HARRY BARNHART	D. J. COWLING, Mgr.
	F. W. GRAY	T. W. GRAY
		G. M. SNOKE
		ARTHUR MILLER



The next day we suffered our first shut-out at the hands of York Y. M. C. A. The fielding on both sides was good, but our boys were unable to hit "Dr." Blough safely, although he did not strike out a man. Shenk did good work for L. V. in the box, allowing but six hits. The score :

L. V., 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0—0
Y.M.C.A., 0 0 2 0 0 0 2 1 x—5

The team was beaten badly by Harrisburg Athletic Club, at Harrisburg, on the 24th. Poor work in the field, there being ten errors, was the cause. The score ;

L. V., 1 1 0 0 0 0 0 0 0—2
H. A. C., 0 1 1 3 2 0 1 0 2—10

On the following Wednesday our fourth consecutive defeat was administered by Gettysburg College, at Gettysburg. How it happened is hard to tell. The old cry of "hard luck" must stand the blame. The score :

L. V., 0 0 0 1 1 0 0 0 0—2
Gettysb'rg, 0 0 0 1 1 2 0 0 0—4

Our succession of defeats was broken at Middletown, on Memorial Day. Two games were played, resulting in two victories. The score in the morning was 12 to 7, and in the afternoon 5 to 1. Gray pitched both games.

Another victory followed on the next day, when Muhlenburg was defeated on our home grounds. Gray was again in the box, and allowed but one hit, this being the third game in two days for him. The game was ours from the first, and Muhlenburg used two pitchers. The score :

L. V., 3 0 3 4 2 5 0 0 x—17
Mu'lenb'rgo 0 1 0 0 0 0 0 0 0—1

On Thursday, June 5, we suffered a defeat from the strong Bucknell team. Shenk was in the box and would have won the game easily, had he had anything like good support ; but as our boys made twelve errors, Bucknell had an easy thing. The score :

L. V., 1 0 0 2 1 0 0 0 0—4
Bucknell, 0 0 1 0 1 1 1 3 2—9

The second game with Albright was played here on June 7, and resulted in an easy victory. Haverstick was hit freely, while Gray kept Albright down to five hits and had gilt-edge support. The score :

L. V., 2 1 0 2 1 0 2 1 x—9
Albright, 0 0 1 0 3 0 1 0 0—5

The game with Delaware State College, played here on June 14, was one of the finest ball games of the season in this locality. It was a pitchers' battle; Shenk struck out ten and allowed three hits, Willis struck out eleven and gave two hits. Delaware's only run was scored in the sixth inning on a blocked ball. The game was called at the end of the seventh inning because of rain. The score:

Delaware,	o	o	o	o	o	o	1	o—1
L. V.,	o	o	o	o	o	o	o	o—o

The last game of the season was played with Albright at Myerstown. As each team had won a game, excitement and enthusiasm ran high. The following clipping from the Philadelphia "Record" is an impartial account:

"For six innings Albright and Lebanon Valley played magnificently in the deciding game of a series for the college championship of the Lebanon Valley, at Myerstown, and then Lebanon Valley left the field, forfeiting the game to Albright by the score of 9 to 0. A difference of opinion between the umpires, and the question of which had the right to make the decision, caused the trouble. Prof. Balliett, who was calling balls and strikes, called Miller out at the home plate in the seventh inning, and Charles Fisher, who was watching the bases, declared him to be safe. Not a hit was made off Haverstick, and only one off Gray."

A total of nineteen games was played; eleven were won, seven lost, and one forfeited. This has probably been the most successful base ball season L. V. C. has ever had. To D. J. Cowling, '02, much credit is due for his faithfulness and devotion to his duties as manager. Both Shenk and Gray have done great work in the box, and Miller's work behind the bat was never open to much criticism. The team, as a whole, has done satisfactory work and was well supported by the student body.

The season was closed on the evening of June 16, by a banquet for the team at the Hotel Eagle. An excellent menu was served and the enjoyment of the evening formed a fitting climax to what has been, in many respects, the most successful season in the history of the College.

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